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FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, RH, UK

SUBJECT: SMITH SPEAKS ON FORTHCOMING TALKS

1. ACCORING TO THE SA PRESS, IN AN ELECTION EVE RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCAST AUGUST 30, IAN SMITH SAID HE INTENDS TO PUT FORWARD "VERY POSITIVE PROPOSALS" TO FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN DURING THE SALISBURY TALKS. HE SAID HIS PROPOSALS WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH THE PRINCIPLES HIS GOVERNMENT REGARDS AS BEING FUNDAMENTAL TO ANY SETTLEMENT. "THESE WOULD INCLUDE THE RETENTION OF WHITE CONFIDENCE AND SKILLS, THE RETENTION OF EXISTING SECURITY FORCES, AND OTHER ELEMENTS DESIGNED TO KEEP RHODESIA IN THE WESTERN CAMP.

2. SMITH SAID HE WAS NO OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE  
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OUTCOME OF THE TALKS. "I HAVE ALREADY SEEN ALL TOO CLEARLY THE EFFECTS OF THE INFLUENCE EXERTED ON DR. OWEN BY THE SO-CALLED FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS," HE SAID. "NOTHING WOULD PLEASE THE FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS MORE," HE SAID, THAN TO SEE "OUR MAGNIFICENT SECURITY FORCES DISMANTLED." SMITH REPEATED HIS EARLIER CLAIMS THAT THE UK AND US

GOVERNMENTS WERE PREOCCUPIED WITH TRYING TO AVOID  
A CONFRONTATION WITH THE SOVIET UNION IN SOUTHERN  
AFRICA.

3. SMITH SAID HIS TALKS WITH VORSTER IN PRETORIA  
LAST WEEKEND HAD BEEN "REALISTIC AND PRAGMATIC"  
AS THEY DISCUSSED THE "GRAVE PROBLEMS WHICH  
CONFRONT OUR TWO COUNTRIES." ACCORDING TO A NEWS  
STORY BY IAN BLACK FROM SALISBURY, SMITH IS EXPECTED  
TO MAKE A MAJOR BROADCAST ON FRIDAY EVENING WHEN HE  
WILL NAME THE BLACK NATIONALISTS HE INTENDS TO  
INVITE INTO HIS NEW "BROAD-BASED" GOVERNMENT AS  
STAGE ONE OF THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT.BOWDLER

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